

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CO. COMMISSIONERS.

Our Board of County Commissioners will hold their annual meeting at the Court House on Monday next. Commissioners O'Keefe and Reardon have retired from their public duties by reason of the expiration of the term for which they were elected. Daniel O'Keefe is succeeded by Charles Kenebeck, of Cedar Lake, and John Reardon is succeeded by J. J. Ring, of New Market. Thomas Terry, of Belle Plaine, Michael Ley, of Sand Creek, and G. W. Gillenbeck, of Shakopee, hold over.

There are few men in Scott County better known than Mr. Gillenbeck. He is an old settler in the county and is favorably known to the people of every town, as a good-natured and good-hearted man. He has been County Commissioner only one year, but the care and skill with which he takes hold of the public business, seems to indicate him as the proper man for Chairman. His residence being now at the county seat, where, for the convenience of the public business it is proper they should reside, we hope he will receive the appointment of chairman unanimously.

Mr. Terry has resided at Belle Plaine for a good many years, and has been known to the people of the county as a good citizen by all who know him. He has been chairman of the board of county commissioners for the last year. We have referred to his prompt attention to his official duties in finding a family to adopt one of the Bellary children, whereby the county was relieved of a large yearly expense. Mr. Terry has one year more to serve.

Mr. Ley has long been known as a prominent man in Sand Creek. He has held various offices in his town for many years, having been selected to some office almost every year. His diligence during the last year in the discharge of his official duties, is acknowledged by all who have had any business before the county board. Mr. Ley is one of the most substantial men in our county, and as he becomes accustomed to the county business, his diligence and sterling business will be of still greater service to our tax payers.

J. J. Ring and Charles Kenebeck are new members, and not so extensively known in the county as either of the old members. Mr. Kenebeck is an old resident of Cedar Lake, and a good substantial farmer. We have known him for many years, and personally he is one of our best and warmest friends. We have no doubt but he will enter upon the discharge of his official duties with diligence and attend faithfully to the best interest of the people.

We are not as well acquainted with Mr. Ring as with either of the other members of the county board. However, we have known him for several years, and have heard no fault found with him. He comes from the eastern district in the county, which has heretofore been mis-represented to the damage of the whole county. Mr. Ring was an independent candidate and was elected by a large vote over both of his competitors. The great popularity of Mr. Ring at home, will be seen in the fact that he got almost the unanimous vote of his own town. Those that know Mr. Ring best, inform us that he is a leading man at home, a good citizen, and honest and faithful in all he undertakes. The qualities will make a good county commissioner and we doubt not they will be put to practice in the discharge of his official duties.

THE COUNTY BUSINESS.

The first business before the county board will be the qualification of the new commissioners. The election of their chairman will then be the first business before them. We have already expressed our preference. In case of the absence of their chairman, they have no power to elect a chairman *pro tem*; but in such case their proceedings must be signed by all the members present. This is a very good reason why the chairman ought to reside at the county seat.

At their January meeting they are required to select from the qualified voters of the county a Grand Jury list of seventy-two persons from which the Clerk of the District Court will draw the Grand Jury, and also a Petit Jury list of seventy-two persons, from which the Clerk is required to draw the trial jury. In preparing these lists, the law provides that the commissioners shall select such persons as they know or have good reason to believe are possessed of the qualifications of jurors and not exempt by law. It will therefore be seen that the commissioners are the only persons to make the selection, and that Deacon Fugle and Fleishy Dob have nothing to do about it. Mrs. Spectator's threat, therefore, to attach Scott county to some other county because our juries do not suit the Bazzards, was made to scare the commissioners to do their dirty work for them.

The commissioners are required to fix the amount of the County Treasurer's bond and to see that he give good security, to be approved by them, and approve the bond of Probate Judge and of Coroner. They are to fix the salary of the County Attorney. The salary which has been paid to this officer for several years past has been far too large. The duties of this office are very light in this county, and the burden of taxation too great, to longer pay such a salary for such poor services.

The office of Superintendent of Schools having been abolished and the schools vacated by the resignation of the party appointed, it will not be necessary to fix any salary for that office. This will be a saving to the county and prevent the pious display of ignorance.

It will however be their duty at their next session to appoint one School Examiner in each district, to visit schools and examine teachers. We believe this is

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about all of the general business coming before the commissioners at their January session.

Mrs. Spectator and the Bazzards—A true Picture of their Character by a Master Hand!

We publish here a very life-like picture of Mrs. Spectator and the Bazzards, taken from that excellent Democratic Journal—the St. Peter Advertiser. Our readers will recognize the picture as true to the very life—as perfect and as real as the originals are seen here at their own home. How truly the Advertiser says, that "the Spectator was originally started by Republicans and renegades kicked out of the Democratic party," and the same men who dictated the editorials when the Spectator was Radical, do so now; and there is not a Democratic paper in the Valley that looks upon the Spectator in any other light than as a snake in the grass! And the Advertiser might also have said that the same parties who started the Spectator, now hold a chat on the mortgage on it for more than it would sell for. But hear what the Advertiser did say:

"CHRYSED HANDS—The Spectator, formerly a Radical newspaper and started last summer at Shakopee, has passed into the hands of the Bazzards and come out Democratic. This change took place immediately after election. Scott county is Democratic, and we are opposed to meddling with the Bazzards, such as this deed is, cutting out party for no other reason than that he was obliged to, to keep from dying naturally. The Spectator was originally started by Republicans and renegades kicked out of the Democratic party; the same men who dictated the editorials when it was Radical, do so now; and there is not a Democratic paper in the Valley that looks upon the Spectator in any other light than as a snake in the grass! Hence, we say to the Democracy of Scott county, support the Argus, and let the Bazzards hold up the Spectator by the tail if they wish. Read and the Spectator are of the same piece—contradicted in mind and aim—ready to show the finger heel at any time for three cents. Meanly, sympathy for our up town neighbor is not remarkable, when we remind ourselves that 'birds of a feather flock together'."

A Democrat—'Well, we are angelic hosts, ye messengers of love, shall I say? I have here below have no redress above? The shining angel band replied, 'To us is knowledge given; different in the picture's look can never catch heaven!'"

Such was the dream that passed through her mind as Mrs. Spectator took a large bundle of her papers from the office the other morning, returned by her wanted-to-be subscribers, all marked "refused!" "Confound them!" she exclaimed as she walked away with the heavy bundle, "I will let them know that they have got to pay my paper! By Jolly, where is my money, Mrs. Spectator? She will teach them the law!"

THE VAN SOLEN MURDER TRIAL.
The trial of Van Solen at St. Paul for the murder of Dr. Harcourt, has been a very lengthy trial, occupying 12 days. Some two years ago the body of an unknown man was found in the river below St. Paul, with a rope around it with which the body had been fastened to some heavy object to sink it. A coroner's inquest declared no clue to the manner of the death or whose body it was. But last fall suspicions led to the arrest of Van Solen for the murder of Dr. Harcourt, who was a stranger at St. Paul. Investigation led to the discovery that the body thus found in the river was that of Dr. Harcourt, and the body being exhumed, the skeleton disclosed the fact that the deceased had been twice shot in the head. It appeared in evidence that on a certain day, two years ago last summer, Van Solen and Dr. Harcourt went hunting and fishing together, and this was the last seen of the Doctor.

The friends of Dr. Harcourt in England and in St. Louis, in making inquiries for the Doctor traced him to St. Paul, where he had been indicted to come by letter in the handwriting of Van Solen but under another name. These letters represented to the Doctor that a grand hunting expedition was about to start from St. Paul, and offered him the opportunity of Europe, and advised him, if he accepted, to come to St. Paul from St. Louis and confer with Van Solen, who was represented to be a prominent member of the expedition. This hunting expedition was entirely fictitious. Dr. Harcourt came to St. Paul, and the last seen of him was on a hunting and fishing excursion just below St. Paul, in company with Van Solen.

The trial is not yet ended.

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The Den of Robbers below the Forest Chappel. In three Acts.

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THE SHAKOPEE ARGUS.

By HENRY HINDS.
OFFICIAL PAPER OF SCOTT COUNTY.
SHAKOPEE, JAN. 30, 1868.
DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

A Convention of the Democracy of the State of Minnesota, will be held at the City of St. Paul, on Wednesday, the 29th day of February, 1868, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of electing delegates to the Democratic National Convention, to nominate candidates for President and Vice President of the United States; and also to nominate four Presidential Electors, should the Convention so determine.

The representation of Scott County in the Convention has been appointed at 14 delegates.

C. W. NASH,
Chairman, Dem. State Central Committee.
Dated at St. Paul, Jan. 24, 1868.

The members of the Democratic Central Committee of Scott County, are requested to meet at Shakopee, February 25, 1868, at 12 o'clock.

CHARLES HARRIS,
Ch. of Dem. Cent. Com. of Scott Co.

THE LETTING OF THE COUNTY PRINTING.

Mrs. Spectator last week reports to down-right lying, in regard to our bids for the County Printing. She says the County Auditor allowed our bids to be altered after they were opened and read in the presence of the County Board and all spectators. Her statements in this regard are absolute falsehoods, and told without any foundation whatever. The other bids were much lower than the bids of either paper, and the other bidders were fairly entitled to the contract. The Ankers did not expect the contract when we learned that other parties had put in bids lower than ours. But it seems Mrs. Spectator, trusting to her well-earned reputation for dishonesty, and trusting in the boast of her Skunk and Badger, that he had a bull ring in the nose of the County Commissioners, intended to steal the contract from those gentlemen that had bid lower than either paper. The Skunk had put in a bid himself, but the others were lower.

Our bid was put in in our own hand writing, and now remains on file with the County Auditor in precisely the shape it was first presented to the Board and read publicly. It was written the day before presentation to the Board, at the rate allowed by law, and upon consultation with Mrs. Spectator, we learned she was going nothing but the job if she got the contract. But this was done before our bid was presented to the Commissioners. Mrs. Spectator's bid was also altered after it was written, to a still lower figure. In this respect they were both alike, but hers was written by a rat in the first instance. The record which the County Commissioners have made of their proceedings, and which we publish this week, shows the whole proceeding concerning this matter.

Mrs. Spectator's reputation for dishonesty and falsehood is so black, that our worthy County Auditor has nothing to fear in this community from her assaults. Her reflections upon the County Auditor are as mean and low, as her cowardly blackguarding upon the Chairman of the House of Representatives.

Mrs. Spectator in the first publication of her dirty sheet, declared that she should not resort to personalities, and it was then supposed she had learned a little wisdom by her rebuffs in other places. But she finds it difficult to cast off her cowardly habits of meanness, and she seems to be unable to learn wisdom by experience. Her habits of falsehood and meanness, has for ten years past drawn her from pillar to post, and made her an outcast among all society and her name a by-word and reproach among all honest men and respectable ladies, and herself shunned and despised by those whose love and respect can only be gained by a fair, upright and manly course. These lying traits of character and perfidious shrewdness drove her into the army, and soon drew her out again to the tune of the "ragged march," drove her into Hastings, and then soon made that place too hot for her; then drove her into St. Paul, and then in a few months compelled her to abandon that city and seek a refuge among the dirty barlands of Shakopee, and her reputation has become too strongly tainted for even some of the buzzards.

[N. B.—The hard words in the foregoing are quoted from the Spectator's last week.] Now, we were never in favor of letting the printing to the lowest bidder, but this was the scheme of Mrs. Spectator and the buzzards, assisted by her Badger and Skunk. This fable boasted from Shakopee to Cedar Lake, and back again to Belle Plaine, that he had a bull ring in the nose of the County Board and could lead them just where he pleased. He said they did not dare to do anything without first consulting him, and that they did not know anything—not even that he had no right to interfere with their proceedings. He knew the Commissioners were all friendly to the Ankers, and hence the scheme to let the printing to the lowest bidder, and open to all to bid, whether printers or not. This Skunk promised Mrs. Spectator to render his valuable assistance as County Auditor, to fix up a contract, if she was the lowest bidder, that would make it all right.

The bids were put in, and neither paper was the lowest; but the bids of two different parties were lower than either paper, and as they were very low the County Commissioners were in duty bound to give the printing to the lowest of those two. One of them was present and offered to execute the contract and give bonds for the performance of the contract. But no, this would not suit the stealing purposes of Mrs. Spectator and her Skunk. They then proposed to throw out all bids and submit only to the bids of the two papers. The publisher of the Ankers opposed this and

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insisted that either the bid of Mr. Thomas or of Mr. Baumhagen, whichever was lowest, ought to be accepted. They were both lower than either paper. But the Commissioners concluded to reject all the bids and receive new bids only from the publishers of the two papers. The new bids were prepared and when opened, the bid of the Ankers was found to be less than half as much as the other bid. Of course the County Commissioners could not do otherwise than let the Ankers have the printing, and they did so.

But it did not end here. Mrs. Spectator's Skunk, still boasting he had a bull ring in the nose of the County Commissioners, took them to dinner and feasted them on buzzard meat. He brought them back, and trusting in his boasting that they did not know anything except what he told them, he advised them to reconsider their vote giving the printing to the Ankers, and they did so. All these statements will be found to be true by a perusal of the official proceedings of the Commissioners, which we publish this week in another column.

Our readers will notice that we are publishing full market reports from New York, Chicago and Milwaukee, on the third page of the Argus, also the Shakopee Markets on our local page.

A dispatch from Memphis to the St. Paul Pioneer, says:

In the Constitutional Convention of Arkansas, Mr. Hinds offered a resolution for the appointment of a committee to memorialize Congress to sell at auction the old springs, which was adopted.

We also learn from the same paper that James Hinds, formerly of St. Peter, has received the nomination for a seat in Congress from the State of Arkansas.

Minnesota Legislature.

PROCEEDINGS FROM JANUARY 23 TO JANUARY 26, 1868.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week neither House was in session, nor on Monday, 27th January. During these days the Legislature was on a wild goose chase, but the members claimed to be acting on different committees, visiting the different public institutions in various parts of the State.

Tuesday, January 28th.

SENATE.

Senator Foster asked leave to introduce a bill to vacate the plat of Belle Plaine.

BILLS PASSED.

A bill authorizing the Registrar of Deeds of Goodhue county to transcribe and record town plats.

A bill amending section 3 of chapter 9 of the general statutes relating to regulations, vacancies and removals.

A bill changing the name of the House of Refuge.

HOUSE.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Miller—A bill to appropriate \$25,000 for the per diem and mileage of the officers and members of the present Legislature. Read second and third time and passed, yeas 36.

HOUSE BILL PASSED.

House Bill No. 14, to provide for the compensation of officers and members of the Legislature, was taken up, read a second and third time, and passed—yeas 28, nays 6.

After a short time spent in the committee of the whole, the House adjourned.

For other business of any importance was transacted today.

January 29th, 1868.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Senator A. Armstrong—A bill to amend section 91, of chapter 66, of the general statutes, and for the repeal thereof.

By Senator Smith—A bill to amend section 7, of chapter 72, of the revised statutes.

By Senator Smith—A bill to amend section 73, of chapter 66, of the general statutes.

Also a bill for an act to amend section 1, of chapter 64, of the general laws of 1867.

By Senator Bristol—A bill to provide for the disposal and appropriation of the five hundred thousand acres of internal improvement lands, and for the liquidation thereof of all State indebtedness in the Minnesota State railroad bonds, so called. Ordered printed, and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

BILLS PASSED.

A bill for an act to amend section 48, of chapter 13, of the general statutes, relating to roads, cartways and bridges. Passed unanimously.

A bill for an act to amend section 2, of chapter 67, of the general statutes, in relation to costs in the District Courts, approved March 7, 1867.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE.

The bill providing for the publishing of laws in all the State newspapers, was considered, and after an animated discussion, was recommended to pass.

The bill reducing compensation for publishing delinquent tax lists was laid on the table for the present.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. Jones—A bill to appropriate \$35,000 to the Minnesota House of Refuge. Referred to committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Henry—A bill to protect laborers, and enable them to recover their wages by suit. Referred to committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. Rudolph—A bill to establish the compensation of County Treasurers.

By Mr. Lewis—A bill to exempt disabled soldiers from poll tax, sitting as jurors, and from tax on a certain amount of personal property. Referred to committee on taxes and tax laws.

By Mr. Davidson—A bill to amend chapter 66, title 3, section 49, of the revised statutes, relating to civil actions. Referred to committee on Judiciary.

Also a bill to amend section 1, chapter 10, general statutes, relating to Township organization. Referred to committee on Towns and Counties.

MORTGAGE SALE.

MORTGAGEES—John Kercher and Mary Kercher, his wife, of Scott County, State of Minnesota.

MORTGAGEE—Louise Braunwarth, of the same place.

DATE OF MORTGAGE—May 31st, a. d. 1867, which was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Scott County, Minnesota, on the 31st day of May, a. d. 1867, at twenty five minutes past three o'clock in the afternoon in Book "H" of Mortgages, on page 20.

DESCRIPTION OF MORTGAGED PREMISES—Lot Seven (7) in Block Thirty-two (32) Shakopee City, according to the recorded plat thereof on file in the office of the Register of Deeds of said county of Scott, situated, lying and being in said county of Scott.

Said Mortgage was made to secure the payment of a promissory note bearing even date with said mortgage, for Four Hundred Dollars, payable on the first day of January, a. d. 1868, with interest at twelve per cent. per annum.

Amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this sale, together with Ten Dollars solicitor's fees in case of foreclosure of said mortgage.

The Mortgage above described contains a power of sale in full and complete, and is covered therewith, and no suit or proceedings at law or otherwise have been had or instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by reason of said default, and under and by virtue of said power of sale, and pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of said mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder, by the Sheriff of said county of Scott, or his deputy, at the Court House of the County of Scott in Shakopee, in the County of Scott, Minnesota, on SATURDAY, the 29th day of FEBRUARY, a. d. 1868, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to pay and satisfy said mortgage debt, solicitor's fees and costs of sale allowed by law.

Dated, January 15th, A. D. 1868.

LOUISE BRAUNWARTH, Mortgagee.

HENRY HINDS, Mortgagee.

Attorney for Mortgagee.

EXECUTION SALE.

NOTICE is hereby given that I have obtained a writ of execution against the following named parties, to wit: John Kercher and Mary Kercher, his wife, of Scott County, State of Minnesota, in the County of Scott, Minnesota, for the sum of Four Hundred Dollars, together with Ten Dollars solicitor's fees in case of foreclosure of said mortgage.

The said writ of execution is returnable at the Court House of the County of Scott in Shakopee, in the County of Scott, Minnesota, on SATURDAY, the 29th day of FEBRUARY, a. d. 1868, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to pay and satisfy said mortgage debt, solicitor's fees and costs of sale allowed by law.

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OFFICIAL.

ANNUAL MEETING OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, HELD AT THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE, AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M. JANUARY 27th.

[O C L O S E D.]

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, SCOTT CO. MINN. JANUARY 27th, 1868.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Board met at 2 o'clock and members all present. An alteration sprung up by the remarks made by the county attorney, J. L. McDonald, that the figures in the bid of Henry Hinds were altered. The county auditor resented the insult, which brought forward a number of blackguard expressions, familiar to a mind of his capacity. At the end of which, on motion of commissioner Terry, it was resolved that all bids be rejected, which was carried.

On motion of Thomas Terry, it was resolved that the resolution passed on January 9, 1868, for receiving bids for doing the County printing for the ensuing year, be continued in operation until five o'clock in the afternoon of this day, for the purpose of receiving bids from Henry Hinds, the publisher of the Shakopee Argus, and Frank Mead, publisher of the Shakopee Spectator.

A little before 5 o'clock, said Henry Hinds and Frank Mead appeared and filed sealed bids with the county auditor. It was resolved that said bids be opened, which was done and said bids were as follows, to wit:

FRANK MEAD'S BID.

For printing and publishing the list of delinquent lands and town lots 8 cents per description. For printing and publishing any list of forfeited lands required by law to be advertised, 8 cents per description. And in consideration of receiving the foregoing printing and publishing of said list of lands at the prices aforesaid, I propose to print and publish the Treasurer's Notice, Financial Statement, proceedings of the Board, and all other printing and publishing ordered by law or by the County Board, for nothing.

(Signed) F. J. Mead, Publisher Shakopee Spectator.

HENRY HINDS' BID.

To print and publish the said delinquent list for the sum of 2 cents for each description of lands or town lots therein. The Treasurer's Notice and such other notices as may be required to be published by said board or ordered by law, for nothing. The list of forfeited lands that may be required to be sold, for 3 cents each description; the proceedings of said board, for nothing; the whole financial statement of the board, for nothing. And in consideration of receiving said printing and publishing of the whole of said printing and publishing to be executed in good workmanlike manner in the Shakopee Argus.

(Signed) Henry Hinds, Publisher Shakopee Argus.

The proposal of Henry Hinds being the lowest, the same was referred to J. L. McDonald, County Attorney, for his opinion as to its sufficiency in its formal parts as a contract on its being accepted by the board. The county attorney being present, suggested that the words, "and in consideration of receiving said printing and publishing of said list at said prices, I agree to print the proceedings of said board," to which alteration the said Hinds assented, and said proposal was altered accordingly.

Thereupon, on motion of J. J. Ring, the said proposal and agreement of said Hinds was accepted and adopted by the board of county commissioners as a contract between said Hinds and the board of commissioners.

The bill of Henry Hinds, for expenses incurred by him in doing said printing and publishing, amounting to \$28.00, was investigated. It was stated and proved that the said Henry Hinds lived with deceased man and wife, and the board rejected the bill.

Application of Wm. Cresney for a license to run a ferry across the Minnesota river at the landing in West Shakopee. The board granted to said Cresney a license for a term of three years, and an amount of said license at five dollars for the ensuing year.

Partial relief was granted to widow McNe to the amount of fifty dollars.

On motion of Mrs. Henry Peck, for the payment of her personal assessment tax, was considered. It was found that the assessment was erroneous, and the board ordered said statement.

Wm. Cresney's bond as ferryman was presented, examined and approved by the board.

The following bills were audited and allowed:

James Clark, for clothing furnished to David McGregor, a county pauper, \$23.50.

William and Caroline Wykes, witness State vs Robert and Mary Vessey, \$4.00.

George F. Collier, goods furnished to the court house, \$11.75.

Henry Hinds, goods furnished to Red-jacks, \$6.95.

Jacob Shreve, fees state vs J. H. Hicks, \$9.25 & 50.

Philip Krausdraster, court fees, \$10.50.

After which, on motion, the board adjourned to Monday morning, January 13th, 1868, at 9 o'clock.

Monday Morning, January 13, 1868.

Board met and members all present.

Bills of H. Elliott and others were laid on the table.

The following bills were audited, passed and allowed:

T. J. Duffy, stoves and hardware to court house, \$79.75.

O. L. Chatfield, fees as constable, state vs Langley, \$4.00.

Same, fees as constable, state vs. Girard, 50 Cents.

Same, fees as constable, state vs Augustus Lang, \$3.00.

Same, fees as constable, state vs Francis Sterbens, 3.00.

H. Hinds, printing blanks for Probate court, \$17.00.

H. Hinds, 300 tax deeds, and publishing proceedings of July and October, 1867, \$21.25.

George F. Collier, same, printing bill for Scott county, \$35.90.

After which, on motion the Board adjourned to 2 o'clock, p. m.

Afternoon Session.

Board met at 2 o'clock, and members all present.

The head of the county surveyor elect was presented and approved. The head of H. H. Strunk, county coroner elect, was presented and approved.

Mr. Sencerbox brought the books of the county auditor, with statement and balance up to the time of his going out of office—i. e. March 1, 1866, which report was adopted.

Application of widow White for partial relief, her husband having been drowned in December, 1867, leaving her with two small children and no means of support. The board allowed her thirty dollars, to enable her to reach her friends in New York, who were willing to give her employment to support herself and family.

John L. McDonald, for serving 10 days on committee to examine books and accounts of Ex-Auditor J. W. Sencerbox and Treasurer, from Feb. 1, 1860 to March 1, 1865, allowed \$80.00.

Michael Levy, for inspecting the bridge across Sand Creek at Jordan.

A communication of John L. McDonald, county attorney, was received and ordered to be filed with the county clerk.

Petition of School District No. 44 and 51, signed by John Hup and 28 others, to have the boundaries of said districts No. 44 and 51 altered—that is, to detach from school district No. 44 the w. 1/2 of section 23, town 113 range 24, and annex the same to school district No. 51 for school purposes.

Petition of school districts No. 21 and 31, signed by Daniel O'Keefe and forty-six others, was laid over until next meeting.

On motion, it was resolved, that no orders shall be hereafter signed by the chairman until the same has been made out to the party entitled to any money out of the county treasury, and entitled to the immediate delivery of the same.

The following resolutions were read, and on motion of commissioner Terry, adopted:

Resolved, That the vote accepting the bid of Henry Hinds to do the county printing and publishing of this county for the ensuing year, made at this meeting, be and the same is hereby reconsidered.

Resolved, That the chairman of this board be, and is hereby authorized to enter into a written contract on behalf of this board with Henry Hinds, for the doing of the printing and publishing of this county for the ensuing year, in accordance with the terms of his bid last made at this session, which said agreement shall be in such form as shall satisfy said chairman and the county attorney, and that upon the consideration of said agreement by said chairman and said Henry Hinds, the said Henry Hinds shall enter into bonds to this board, with sufficient sureties, to be approved by the chairman and county attorney, in the sum of five hundred dollars, conditioned that he will do and perform said county printing and publishing in accordance with the terms of said agreement, and that when said agreement and bond has been so executed, that the same be deposited with the Treasurer.

Resolved, That upon the making execution and delivery of said agreement and bond as provided in the foregoing resolution, the printing and publishing of this county shall be made in said bond, and the same is hereby awarded to Henry Hinds.

John L. McDonald asked the board if the salary of the county auditor was fixed.

On motion, it was resolved, that the salary of county Auditor be fixed. On motion of Com. Terry, it was resolved that the first ballot be informal. Carried.

The following was the result: \$1,535.65.

On motion of J. J. Ring, it was resolved to fix it at \$1,700. Carried.

After which, on motion of Commissioner Terry, the Board adjourned sine die.

Shakopee, Scott Co. Minn. Jan. 13, 1868.

G. W. COLLINGSBURY, Ch. of Board County Commissioners.

Attest, M. HESS DUNAND, County Auditor.

A PERRY GUNNISON—Gov. Jenkins, of Georgia, deceased of his office by order of the military commandant, states that the state funds have been removed to New York and that he will deliver them to the State of Georgia.

The Postmaster and Executive agents have refused to deliver over to Capt. H. Caldwell, Com. Mud's apparatus, the baggage and letters addressed to John Jones, Treasurer of Georgia.

SHOW UP THE UPPER MISSISSIPPI.—We are informed that land surveyors, and other parties of the upper Mississippi and its tributaries, that the snow is of great depth, and many camps seriously impeding successful operations. There is not the slightest doubt that there will be no rain. The springs will undoubtedly come out with a rush, rain or no rain.—St. Cloud Times.

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SUMMARY OF THE WEEK.

General News.

The 24th day of February has been fired for the commencement of the second trial of Sarratt.

The United States Supreme Court have decided to advance the McCord case—being the test case on the Reconstruction laws of Congress—by fixing the first Monday in March next for hearing the argument thereon.

The revenue receipts for the week ending January 15 were \$2,153,000. Fractional currency issued for the week, \$560,500; redeemed and destroyed, \$249,400. National Bank notes issued, \$188,880; amount in circulation, \$289,656.

A Washington dispatch of the 20th says: "An impression seems to prevail still at the West that the President has not yet signed the bill relating to the withdrawal of whiskey in bond. The bill was approved January 11, and has been so published officially here."

In the United States Supreme Court on the 21st, in the case of the Commonwealth of Virginia vs. the State of West Virginia, the Chief Justice announced that the Court is equally divided on the case, and equally divided also upon the order which should be made in consequence of that division.

The gross receipts of the Post Office Department for the last year were fourteen million dollars, and the expenses eighteen millions—thus leaving a deficiency of four millions. The Committee on Appropriations have under consideration a request from the Post Office Department for an additional appropriation of two and a half millions for postal service in the United States.

Foreign Intelligence.

Great distress is reported among the working classes of Quebec.

The Penian arrested in Dublin and sent to Millbank died on the 23d.

Charles Keen, the tragedian, died in London on the 23d, aged fifty-seven.

The United States fleet, under Admiral Farragut, is at Toulon, where it will remain during the rest of the winter.

Later information has been received from Africa, in regard to Dr. Livingstone, which it is thought confirms all the previous reports of his safety.

The remains of Maximilian reached Vienna on the 19th, and were, the next day, consigned to their last resting place, amid great pomp and ceremony.

The report which has been extensively circulated, that the Russian Government was sending troops to the Southern frontier, is reported untrue. That Government in an official note has denied the rumor.

A fire which was perpetrated at a tavern near Brownsville, Canada, on the 23d, a man recovering from an attack of *diphtheria tremens*, was lying on the floor in front of the fire place, when some young men laid shavings around his body and burned him to death.

George Francis Train and two other Americans, named Grinnell and Gee, were arrested on board the steamer *Scotia* on her arrival at Queenstown, on the 17th, on the charge of being active members of the American wing of the Fenian organization. The affair has caused much excitement throughout Great Britain. Train formally protested, through the United States Consul, against his detention, and declared that he was arrested upon no other grounds of suspicion than the finding of an Irish paper in his trunk.

The New York *World* of the 20th publishes the following, dated Queenstown, Jan. 18: "I have just been arrested by the British Government. Was seized on the *Scotia* immediately upon arrival. Have told the Derby Cabinet that the American ultimatum is payment of Alaska claims, and release of American citizens, or war."

"GEORGE FRANCIS TRAIN."

Train was discharged from arrest at Cork, on the morning of the 21st. He has sued the British Government for £100,000 damages. Lord Stanley, however, in behalf of the Government, disavows any responsibility in the matter. He says the local authorities at Queenstown acted upon their own responsibility when they arrested Train.

In a speech at a Ministerial dinner on the 23d, Lord Stanley said the Irish had never been in a more prosperous condition, nor had Ireland ever been more distracted. The latter fact he attributed mainly to the designs of American sailors. He thought the proposed Church reforms ought to go over to the next Parliament, and as to laws in Ireland they were out of the question.

The East.

The Massachusetts State Senate, on the 23d, passed a bill repealing the Prohibitory Liquor law, known in that State as the "Constabulary law."

A heavy snow storm prevailed through out the East on the 21st. Eighteen inches fell at Binghamton, and eight inches at Troy, and the roads were much blocked.

The efforts of a Pittsburgh pedestrian to walk one hundred consecutive hours without rest or sleep, has resulted in failure, after constant walking for 78 hours and 45 minutes.

Edwin Weed and Miles Murray, gamblers, have been arrested as the supposed robbers of the Bank of the Republic in New York on the 15th, and a portion of the stolen property recovered.

An explosion of fireworks took place at Pittsburgh, on the 19th, by which three persons, Nancy Campbell, Fred Ramsey and J. A. Schrock, were killed. The building in which the explosion occurred was nearly destroyed by fire. Three hundred barrels of oil and three bulk boats full of oil were destroyed by an explosion in an oil refinery seven miles from Pittsburgh, on the 19th.

The West.

The Republican State Convention of Ohio is called to meet on the 30th of March. The Illinois State Republican Convention is called to meet in Peoria, on the 6th of May.

A telegram from San Francisco to Mr. Seward, announces that an assay of the gold from Alaska proves that the ore will yield \$100,000 per ton.

Two merchants on their way from Cheyenne to Dale City, were attacked by robbers, on the 19th, brutally beaten, and robbed of goods valued at \$5,000.

Lafayette Head, Superintendent of In-

dian affairs in Utah, passed through Omaha on the 19th, en route for Washington, accompanied by six Ute Chiefs, desirous of making a treaty.

A disastrous fire, caused by the explosion of a coal oil lamp, occurred in Ottumwa, Iowa, on the night of the 20th, destroying about one-half of a block of business houses. Loss \$300,000; small insurance.

A shooting affray occurred at Cheyenne on the evening of the 18th. Several men were wounded and one killed. The Vigilance Committee, two hundred strong, hung Jack Hays and another leader of the rioting party.

A resolution has been introduced in the Wisconsin State Senate, declaring the Grand Jury system a relic of barbarism, recommending its abolition, and instructing the Judiciary Committee to report a bill for amending the Constitution accordingly.

According to the figures given in the *Chicago Tribune*, the grand "charity ball" in that city on the 20th, netted as follows: Expenses, \$10,000; receipts, \$6,000—leaving "charity" out in the cold "to the tune of some \$4,000."

In a prize fight between two young bruisers—Dennis Reardon, eighteen, and Thomas McCann, seventeen years of age—at "Bloody Island," near St. Louis, on the 19th, the latter was killed. Seven of the parties, including Reardon, engaged in the fight were arrested.

A case of wholesale poisoning occurred in Chicago on the 19th. Andrew Stang, a 46, two daughters and a son (German), were nearly killed by partaking of coffee in which strychnine had been placed, it is supposed, by another daughter, named Elizabeth, about sixteen years of age. The alleged poisoner was arrested.

The South.

A Memphis special says the treason indictments against General Price, Rucker and Jeff. Thompson have been dismissed.

Two young ladies were burned to death on the 19th, at Chattanooga, Tenn., on the careless use of Aurora oil in kindling a fire.

The names were Miss Mary Daily, of Oglethorpe, N. Y., and Miss Kate Harrington, of Chattanooga.

A man named Thomas Malone was shot dead in a court-room at Memphis, on the 24th, while attending the trial of his nephew, who was arraigned for murder. The court-room was full at the time, and the author of the assassination was unknown.

Congressional.

Senate not in session on the 19th.... In the House no business was transacted.... In Committee of the Whole, speeches were made on the treaty for the acquisition of the Hawaiian Islands, on the industrial interests of the country, and on the question of the extension, etc., after which the House adjourned.

In the Senate, on the 20th, but little business was transacted aside from the introduction and reference of various bills and resolutions.... By consent of the Senate the motion to reconsider the amendment to the cotton tax bill, adopted by that body and disagreed to by the House, was agreed to, and the bill was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Senate voted on the 20th, and the House on the 21st, on a resolution to amend the act of March 3, 1879, relating to the construction of the Panama Canal, and that a committee of conference on the act be appointed.

In the House, on the 21st, a resolution was introduced instructing the President to demand of the British Government an explanation of the arrest of the *Scotia*, and to demand of persons claiming to be American citizens, and to demand of the British Government an explanation of the arrest of the *Scotia*, and to demand of persons claiming to be American citizens, and to demand of the British Government an explanation of the arrest of the *Scotia*.

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In the House, on the 21st, a majority report from the Committee on Elections was made against the admission to seats in either House of Young Brown or Samuel Smith, from the Second Kentucky Congressional District—the former because he had been expelled from the Kentucky House of Representatives, and the latter because he had been expelled from the Kentucky House of Representatives.

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